

HOUSE No. 637

By Mrs. Parente of Milford, petition of Marie J. Parente and others relative to the certification by judges in child custody cases of the compliance with state and federal regulations. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Marie J. Parente	Christine E. Canavan
Carol A. Donovan	Stanley C. Rosenberg
Paul J. Donato	Elizabeth A. Poirier

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT JUDGES CERTIFY IN WRITING, THAT ALL APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS IN CHILD CUSTODY CASES ARE IN COMPLIANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 The first paragraph of Chapter 119, section 29, is hereby
- 2 amended by adding the following sentence:— At any hearing, the
- 3 judge shall certify, in writing, that all state and federal regulations
- 4 are in compliance.